19. Compare and contrast Ngugi wa Thiong'o's views on language and culture with those of other African intellectuals.

20. Discuss the significance of the ending of *Things Fall Apart* and its implications for the future of the Igbo people.

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BEN63 — NEW LITERTURE IN ENGLISH

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Time : Three hours Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. What is the significance of the title "A Far Cry from Africa"?

2. Who is the author if 'Tonight I can Write ...?'

3. Who is called the jewel in *'The Lion and the Jewel?'*

4. What is the main theme of The Lion and the Jewel?

5. Why do the villagers want to give Esteban a new identity?

6. What is the significance of the image of the clay figure?

7. What is the significance of the title "On the Abolition of the English Department"?

8. Comment on Macaulay's view of Indian culture and literature?

9. Who is the protagonist of Things Fall Apart?

10. What is the overall tone of Things Fall Apart?

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

11. (a) Discuss the role of memory in "Tonight I Can Write...".

Or

(b) Examine the use of imagery in "Journey to the Interior."

12. (a) Examine the theme of colonialism in The Lion and the Jewel.

Or

(b) Analyze the character of Baroka.

13. (a) Discuss the significance of the name "Esteban Trueba" and how it relates to the story's themes of community, imagination, and the power of storytelling.

Or

(b) Discuss the significance of the fur coat in "Miss Brill" and how it relates to the broader themes of the story.

14. (a) What is the overall tone of "On the Abolition of the English Department"?

Or

(b) Analyze the role of language in Macaulay's vision for India.

15. (a) Examine the theme of colonialism in Things Fall Apart.

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Or

(b) Compare and contrast Okonkwo and Unoka.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

16. Analyze the complex relationship between the speaker's African and European identities in "A Far Cry from Africa."

17. Discuss the significance of the ending of The Lion and the Jewel and its implications for the future of the village.

18. Examine the theme of racial tension in "Once Upon a Time" and how it is portrayed through the characters and their interactions.